

## TALBOT COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PERMITS & INSPECTIONS

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RE: Natural and LP Gas Permits/Contractor Registration Required

To Whom It Concerns:

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Beginning January 1, 2012 in Talbot County's unincorporated areas, the installation of natural or LP gas lines, appliances and prefab fireplaces (hereafter "gas facilities") will require an approved permit from the Talbot County Department of Permits and Inspections (hereafter "the Department"). All work will require a rough in and final inspection. Contractors installing gas facilities (hereafter "contractors") must be licensed by the State Board of Plumbers as a master plumber/gas fitter or gas fitter.

## Beginning January 1, 2012:

- 1. Contractors must register with the Department using the attached form. The registration includes all persons working under a master plumber/gas fitter or gas fitter's license must be listed on the contractor's schedule. The schedule for these addition names is attached.
- 2. Contractors must notify the Department of new employees and those who leave the contractor's employ who will/did install gas facilities.
- 3. Renew this registration for master plumber/gas fitter or gas fitters each following year by January 1.

At this time, there is no fee for the gas facility permits or contractor registration. These new procedures are necessary to bring the County into compliance with Chapter 24, *International Residential Building Code*. Titled, "Fuel–Gas", as adopted by the Talbot County Council.

For additional information, or if you have questions, please contact the Department's staff—either Veronica Webb, Building Codes Administrator; or Larry Schuyler, Mechanical Inspector, at (410) 770-6840, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Robert D. Graham Supervisor Department of Permits and Inspections Chief Code Compliance Officer

Enclosure